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## House of Representatives

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D.D., offered the following prayer:

*I Corinthians 2: 5: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.*

Eternal God, our Father, in whom we find the sanction and source of our noblest ideals and endeavors, may we go forth into the hours of this day, with new expectations and efforts to build a more friendly and fraternal social order.

Inspire us to live helpfully and hopefully and with a steadier and stronger confidence in Thee and Thy ways which are those of pleasantness and peace.

Grant that we may believe that Thy holy will is the ultimate and final rebuke to all the doubt and despair to which we are tempted to yield our minds and hearts in these troublous times.

Help us to understand that it is our highest wisdom to put our trust in Thee and to lay hold of those moral and spiritual resources which Thou hast placed at our disposal.

Hear us in Christ's name. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, March 5, 1964, was read and approved.

### SUNDRY MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mr. Ratchford, one of his secretaries, who also informed the House that on the following dates the President approved and signed bills of the House of the following titles:

On March 3, 1964:

H.R. 7356. An act to amend title 10, United States Code, relating to the nomination and selection of candidates for appointment to the Military, Naval, and Air Force Academies.

On March 7, 1964:

H.R. 4638. An act to promote the orderly transfer of the executive power in connection with the expiration of the term of office of a President and the inauguration of a new President.

### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Arrington, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 1761. An act to confer jurisdiction on the Court of Claims to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claim of R. Gordon, Finney, Jr.;

H.R. 5306. An act for the relief of Paul James Branan;

H.R. 7491. An act for the relief of William L. Berryman; and

H.R. 10051. An act to amend Public Law 86-272, as amended, with respect to the reporting date.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed, with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 6196. An act to encourage increased consumption of cotton, to maintain the income of cotton producers, to provide a special research program designed to lower costs of production, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendments to the foregoing bill, requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. EASTLAND, Mr. ELLENDER, Mr. JOHNSTON, Mr. HOLLAND, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. AIKEN, Mr. YOUNG of North Dakota, and Mr. HICKENLOOPER to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2115. An act to improve the balance of payments position of the United States by permitting the use of reserved foreign currencies in lieu of dollars for current expenditures;

S. 2447. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Whitestone Coulee unit of the Okanogan-Similkameen division, Chief Joseph Dam project, Washington, and for other purposes; and

S. 2493. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to determine that certain costs of operating and maintaining Banks Lake and Potholes Reservoir on the Columbia Basin project for recreational purposes is nonreimbursable.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the amendments of the House to a bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1561. An act to amend the Federal Employees Health Benefits Act of 1959.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 9637) entitled "An act to authorize appropriations during fiscal year 1965 for procurement of aircraft, missiles, and naval vessels, and research, development, test, and evaluation, for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes."

The message also announced that the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 88-271, had appointed Mr. ANDERSON and Mr. KEATING to be members of the United States-Puerto Rico Commission on the Status of Puerto Rico.

### COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND ASTRONAUTICS

Mr. BOGGS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Manned Space Flight of the Committee on Science and Astronautics have permission to sit during general debate today.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Louisiana?

There was no objection.

### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Mr. BOGGS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture have until midnight to file a report on the bill H.R. 10222.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Louisiana?

There was no objection.

### CALL OF THE HOUSE

Mr. HARVEY of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER. Evidently a quorum is not present.

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